

Remarks

Claim 66 has been amended above to indicate that the claimed protein is substantially pure. Support for this amendment may be found at page 14, lines 22-26. In addition, new claims 81-84 have been added. Claim 81 indicates that the hydrophobic cell wall protein of claim 66 is specifically bound by antibody 6C5. Support for this claim may be found throughout the specification, for instance at page 7, line 10. Claims 82 and 83 indicate that the yeast is selected from the group consisting of *C. albicans*, *C. kefir* and *C. tropicalis*, and more specifically *C. albicans*. Support for this claim may be found, for instance, at page 7, lines 6-8. Claim 84 indicates that the protein in *C. albicans* is about 38 kDa as determined by Western blot analysis with antibody 6C5. Support for this claim may be found at page 33, Table 1. The newly added claims are consistent with the elected invention, and no prohibited new matter has been added by way of this amendment.


Except for issue fees payable under 37 CFR §1.18, the commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the pendency of this application including fees due under 37 CFR §1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 CFR §1.136(a)(3).

If the Examiner has any questions relating to this election or amendment or to the application in general, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone so that allowance of the present application may be expedited.

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